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31 MAR 1960

Mr. Leo Cherne, Executive Director  
The Research Institute of America, Inc.  
589 Fifth Avenue  
New York 17, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Cherne:

I am sorry for the delay in replying to your letter of January 12 but I have been attempting to arrange my schedule so that I might take advantage of your kind invitation to attend the dinner and presentation of the "Living History of the Critical Years: 1935-1960."

As I mentioned to you in my letter of December 19, I had a previous commitment out of the country the latter part of April. Unfortunately, I am unable to rearrange matters so that I can join you at the Waldorf on April 27th much as I would like to do so. While I regret that I will be unable to be present, I certainly want to take this opportunity to wish you every success in your program.

With best wishes.

Sincerely,

**SIGNED**

Allen W. Dulles  
Director

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Remarks:

Stan:

The Director wonders if you know of any others who are attending this dinner besides those named in Mr. Cherne's latest letter.

Also, the DCI has still not quite decided whether or not he should accept an invitation to what appears to be a function designed to enhance the public relations and business of the hosts. What do you think?

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MEMORANDUM FOR:

The following have declined invitations to attend Mr. Cherne's affair:

The President of the U.S.  
The Secretary of State  
Walter Lippman  
Jack McCloy  
Governor Nelson Rockefeller

No replies have yet been received from the following:

Benjamin Fairless  
General Alfred Gruenther  
William Faulkner  
Thomas E. Dewey  
Representative Joseph Martin  
Henry Morgenthau, Jr.  
Speaker Sam Rayburn  
Dr. Edward Teller (and a number of others)

Acceptances have been received from an impressive list which includes the following:

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Luce  
Arthur Hays Sulzburger  
Lowell Thomas  
Senator Stuart Symington  
Dr. Wernher Von Braun  
Charles E. Wilson (both of them)  
Paul G. Hoffman  
Averell Harriman  
General Mark W. Clark  
General Lucius Clay  
Bernard M. Baruch  
Francis Biddle  
Sherman Adams  
(et al) -- List is attached.

Chet Huntley will be the narrator with interspersed comments by Allan Nevins, with a dramatic introduction of each of the distinguished guests.

Recommend: That the DCI attend.

(Attach)

Stanley J. Grogan  
Assistant to the Director

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"THE LIVING HISTORY OF THE CRITICAL YEARS: 1935-1960"  
ACCEPTANCES - RESEARCH INSTITUTE TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY DINNER - APRIL 27

The Honorable Sherman Adams  
The Honorable Thurman Arnold  
The Honorable Bernard M. Baruch  
The Honorable Francis Biddle  
The Honorable Charles F. Brannan  
The Honorable Ralph J. Bunche  
Admiral Arleigh A. Burke  
The Honorable Harry F. Byrd  
General Mark W. Clark  
General Lucius Clay  
The Honorable James B. Conant  
Mr. Harlow H. Curtice  
General James H. Doolittle  
General William H. Draper, Jr.  
The Honorable James A. Farley  
Mr. Robert Frost  
Mr. G. Keith Funston  
The Honorable W. Averell Harriman  
The Honorable Leon Henderson  
General Lewis B. Hershey  
The Honorable Oveta Culp Hobby  
The Honorable Paul G. Hoffman  
Mr. H. V. Kaltenborn  
The Honorable Estes Kefauver  
The Honorable William F. Knowland  
The Honorable David E. Lilienthal  
The Honorable Henry Cabot Lodge  
The Honorable Clare Boothe Luce  
Mr. Henry R. Luce  
The Honorable Thurgood Marshall  
General Anthony C. McAuliffe  
Mr. David J. McDonald  
Mr. George Meany  
The Honorable Raymond Moley  
Admiral Chester W. Nimitz  
The Honorable Frank Pace, Jr.  
The Honorable William S. Paley  
The Honorable Frances Perkins  
Admiral Arthur W. Radford  
Mr. Walter P. Reuther  
Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt  
The Honorable Samuel I. Rosenman  
Mr. Beardsley Ruml  
General David Sarnoff  
Mr. Alfred P. Sloan, Jr.  
General Carl Spaatz  
The Honorable Harold E. Stassen  
The Honorable Lewis L. Strauss  
Mr. Arthur Hays Sulzberger  
The Honorable Stuart Symington  
Mr. Lowell Thomas  
Mr. Norman Thomas  
The Honorable Rexford Guy Tugwell  
General James A. Van Fleet  
Dr. Wernher Von Braun  
The Honorable Henry A. Wallace  
The Honorable Charles E. Wilson  
The Honorable Charles E. Wilson

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"Living History of the Critical Years: 1935 - 1960"

The Honorable Dean G. Acheson  
The Honorable Sherman Adams  
The Honorable Bernard M. Baruch  
The Honorable Eugene R. Black  
General Omar N. Bradley  
The Honorable Ralph J. Bunche  
The Honorable Harry F. Byrd  
General Lucius Clay  
The Honorable James B. Conant  
Mr. Harlow H. Curtice  
✓ The Honorable Thomas E. Dewey  
✓ General James H. Doolittle  
General William H. Draper, Jr.  
The Honorable Allen W. Dulles  
✓ President Dwight D. Eisenhower  
The Honorable James A. Farley  
Mr. William Faulkner  
Mr. Henry Ford, II  
Justice Felix Frankfurter  
Mr. Robert Frost  
The Honorable J. W. Fulbright  
Mr. G. Keith Funston  
Dr. George H. Gallup  
✓ General Alfred M. Gruenther  
The Honorable W. Averell Harriman  
Mr. Ernest Hemingway  
The Honorable Leon Henderson  
General Lewis B. Hershey  
✓ The Honorable Christian A. Herter  
✓ The Honorable Paul G. Hoffman  
The Honorable J. Edgar Hoover  
President Herbert Hoover  
The Honorable George M. Humphrey  
Mr. H. V. Kaltenborn  
The Honorable Estes Kefauver  
The Honorable John F. Kennedy  
The Honorable William F. Knowland  
The Honorable Alfred M. Landon  
General Curtis E. LeMay  
Mr. John L. Lewis  
The Honorable David Lilienthal  
Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh  
✓ Mr. Walter Lippmann  
The Honorable Henry Cabot Lodge  
✓ The Honorable Clare Boothe Luce  
General Douglas MacArthur

The Honorable John J. McCloy  
The Honorable Neil H. McElroy  
✓ Mr. George Meany  
The Honorable James P. Mitchell  
The Honorable Henry Morgenthau, Jr.  
Mr. Edward R. Murrow  
Admiral Chester W. Nimitz  
✓ The Honorable Richard M. Nixon  
Professor J. Robert Oppenheimer  
✓ The Honorable Frank Pace, Jr.  
The Honorable William S. Paley  
The Honorable Clarence B. Randall  
Mr. Walter P. Reuther  
Mr. Edward V. Rickenbacker  
Admiral Hyman G. Rickover  
General Matthew B. Ridgway  
The Honorable Nelson A. Rockefeller  
Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt  
Mr. Beardsley Ruml  
Dr. Jonas E. Salk  
Mr. Carl Sandburg  
General David Sarnoff  
Mr. Alfred P. Sloan, Jr.  
General Walter Bedell Smith  
General Carl Spaatz  
The Honorable Harold Stassen  
The Honorable Adlai E. Stevenson  
✓ The Honorable Lewis L. Strauss  
The Honorable Stuart Symington  
Dr. Edward Teller  
Mr. Norman Thomas  
Mr. Juan T. Trippe  
President Harry Truman  
✓ General Nathan F. Twining  
General James A. Van Fleet  
Dr. Wernher Von Braun  
The Honorable Henry A. Wallace  
The Honorable Earl Warren  
Mr. Thomas J. Watson, Jr.  
Mr. Joseph N. Welch  
The Honorable Charles E. Wilson  
The Honorable Charles E. Wilson  
General Robert E. Wood

1. This memorandum recommends action in paragraph 8.

3. Mr. Leo Cherne, Executive Director, is a lawyer who was formerly with Tax Research Institute of America. Before World War II, he did some lecturing at Army War College and U. S. Military Academy. He was adviser on taxation to General MacArthur in 1946. He is a director of Freedom House.

5. The Research Institute of America has four classes of membership:

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- d. Tax service membership, for which it charged \$231. for the Tax Control Coordinator, and lesser amounts for lesser services, included materials on preventive tax planning.

6. Publications by the Institute include such topics as Making the Most of Contracts, Report to Management, Communist New Economic Challenge, and Ousting Communist Unions.

7. The idea of listing 100 Americans of differing backgrounds--politically, socially, culturally, financially--in a ballroom attended by 3,000 leading businessmen, educators, etc. with TV and Radio and other Press coverage is a magnificent public relations achievement. It gives the customers who will be at the banquet a spectacle worthy of their patronage and it honors such diverse personalities as Sherman Adams and Senator Kennedy, General MacArthur and former President Truman, Lewis L. Strauss and J. Robert Oppenheimer, General Robert E. Wood and Paul G. Hoffman, Richard M. Nixon and James A. Farley, etc. etc.

8. There is no good reason why the Director should not attend with these other honorable people such as Alfred M. Landon and Norman Thomas. His presence and theirs will add to the prestige of this valuable and honorable Research Institute and at the same time will give some public recognition to the honored guests. It is a function, however, that the Director should not attend if he has something more important to do that night.

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[Redacted Signature]

STANLEY J. GROGAN  
Assistant to the Director

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# *The Research Institute of America, Inc.*

*Carl Hovgaard, Pres. Leo Cherne, Exec. Dir. Joseph D. Ardleigh, Exec. Vice Pres.*

*589 Fifth Avenue, New York 17, N.Y.*

January 12, 1960

The Honorable Allen W. Dulles  
Director, Central Intelligence Agency  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Dulles:

Many thanks for your kind answer to my letter of December 14, regarding the presentation of the "Living History of the Critical Years: 1935-1960" and the Research Institute Anniversary Dinner on April 27 at the Waldorf. I realize the difficulties which your schedule presents in connection with your attendance at this occasion. However, in any case, I wanted to let you know that the results of our invitation have been quite gratifying. A great number of those who have been invited intend to be with us. A few of them are Ralph Bunche, Robert Frost, General Lucius Clay, Alfred Sloan, Jr., Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, Henry Cabot Lodge, Bernard Baruch, James A. Farley, Henry Wallace, Charles E. Wilson. I sincerely hope that it will be possible also for you to attend; we shall proceed to prepare the material referring to your significant contribution to the growth of our country, since Professor Nevins will want to make the reference, even if circumstances do not permit your actual presence at the occasion.

Kindest personal regards and best wishes for the New Year.

Sincerely yours,

Leo Cherne  
Executive Director

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Stan:											
Before dispatching the attached letter to Leo Cherne, the Director has asked that you find out a little bit about the Research Institute of America, Inc., and whether it is a good idea that he attend the presentation on the 27th of April.											
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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Dulles

This is to remind that you wish to call several of your friends who have been invited to participate and determine whether they plan to accept. The complete list appears at Tab A. I have checked several whom you may wish to call.



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